

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

LISTING OF CLAIMS:

1. (currently amended) A method of controlling a multimedia apparatus having a graphic screen and a bi-axial button (up/down - right/left), the method comprising the steps of:

~~actuating pressing~~ the bi-axial button in a first axis to ~~select~~ directly change a function in a scrolling menu displayed on said graphic screen, wherein the scrolling menu is in a continuous loop, and wherein the selected function appears permanently in the center of the scrolling menu, and

~~actuating pressing~~ the bi-axial button in the second axis to adjust a parameter of the selected function.

2. (canceled)

3. (currently amended) The method as claimed in claim 1, ~~characterized in that wherein~~ the scrolling menu is in the form of a cylinder or drum with a horizontal axis when viewed laterally and having a visible surface divided into a plurality of facets, each of said facets indicating a respective function including the selected function.

4. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that, when the function has been selected, the range of adjustment of the parameter appears in the form of

an adjustment bar extending perpendicular to the scrolling menu and being integral with the indication of the function.

5. (original) The method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that, for at least one function, the adjustment bar is in the form of a cursor on a graduated scale.

6. (original) The method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that, for at least one function, the adjustment bar is in the form of a series of tabs.

7. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 4, characterized in that, if the rest of the screen is occupied by the display of a parameter of a second function, the adjustment bar is positioned in simplified form under the function indication.

8. (currently amended) The method as claimed in claim [[1]] 3, characterized in that wherein, in said scrolling menu, the unselected functions have a lesser visual importance than the selected function but remain displayed on one of said plurality of facets.

9. (previously presented) The method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that, in said scrolling menu, the selected function appears in reverse video relative to the other functions.

10. (previously presented) A multimedia apparatus using the method as claimed in claim 1, characterized in that the bi-axial button is situated on the apparatus or remote from it.

11. (canceled)

12. (new) A method of controlling a multimedia apparatus having a graphic screen and a bi-axial button (up/down - right/left), the method comprising the steps of:

pressing the bi-axial button in a first axis to select one of a plurality of functions to be displayed on said graphic screen, the plurality of functions being displayed on a continuous loop scrolling menu, the selected function appearing permanently in the center of the scrolling menu, and

pressing the bi-axial button in a second axis to adjust a parameter of the selected function,

wherein, if a portion of the screen other than the scrolling menu is occupied by the display of a parameter of a second function, the selected function is displayed in simplified form, and if the portion of the screen other than the scrolling menu is not occupied by the display of a parameter of the second function, the selected function extends into said portion of the screen in expanded form.